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April 9, 2014

Ms. Nancy Lummen Lewis Associate Administrator for Enforcement National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215) 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE Washington, D.C. 20590

Re:

Foreign Safety Recall/Other Safety Campaign Report

Certain Toyota Vehicles

Dear Ms. Lewis:

In accordance with 49 CFR 579.12, attached is a copy of our Foreign Safety Recall/Other Safety Campaign Report for the subject vehicles.

Should you have any questions about this report, please contact me directly.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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Subject: Spiral Cable Assembly issue on certain Toyota vehicles

1. Vehicle Manufacturer Name:

Toyota Motor Corporation ["TMC"]
Toyota Motor Corporation Australia Ltd. ["TMCA"]
Tianjin FAW Toyota Motor Co., Ltd ["TFTM"]

2. Involved Vehicles:

| Make/ Car Line | Model Year | Country/Region | Action | Production Period | Number of Vehicles |
|--|---------------|---|---|--|-----------------------|
| Toyota/ Camry, Mark X, Reiz, Land Cruiser Prado | *1 | Japan, Europe, China, Australia, Korea Oceania, Asia, Africa, Middle and East, Central and South America Countries | Safety Recall: Japan, Europe, China, Australia, Korea, Other Safety Campaign: Other countries | September, 2004 through August, 2010 | Approx. 260,000 |

^{*1:} Most countries/regions do not use a model year designation.

3. Substantially Similar Vehicles sold in the U.S.:

Model Year/Make/ Car Line: 2006 - 2011MY Lexus ES, Toyota Avalon, Camry

2006 - 2009MY Toyota Camry Solara

2009 - 2011MY Toyota Venza

2009 - 2010MY Lexus GX, Toyota 4Runner

2009MY Toyota Venza 2007MY Toyota FJ Cruiser

4. Description of Problem:

The steering column assembly in the subject vehicles contains electrical connections to the driver's airbag module housed in a spiral cable assembly, which includes a Flexible Flat Cable (FFC). Due to the shape and location of the FFC's retainer, the FFC could contact a small point of the retainer and become damaged when the steering wheel is turned. In FFC's with seven-channel circuits, this damage could occur to a circuit on the FFC that provides connectivity to the driver's air bag module. If connectivity is lost, the air bag warning lamp will illuminate. In addition, the driver's air bag could become deactivated, causing it to not deploy in the event of a crash. This could increase the risk of injury to the driver.

5. Description of Corrective Repair Action:

For all involved vehicles, the dealer will replace the spiral cable assembly with an improved one.

6. Determination to Conduct Safety Recall / Other Safety Campaign:

• The determination was made by Toyota Motor Corporation;

Date of determination : April 3, 2014
Date campaign will commence : Early April, 2014

7. Reason the similar vehicles sold in the U.S. are not involved in this safety recall / other safety campaign:

Toyota filed a Part 573 report with NHTSA on April 9, 2014 concerning the same issue and is conducting a safety recall on certain Toyota vehicles. The other substantially similar vehicles sold in the U.S. that are not involved in the recall are equipped with spiral cable assemblies which contain a FFC with a different number of channels, or were produced by a different supplier with a different design.